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## Message of the Day

The Republican budget protects
Social Security, reforms
Medicare, retires the public
debt and provides tax relief.

- percentage of increase Republican budget gives our nation's veterans for quality health care.

Events	<b>TODAY – 3/20</b>	Tomorrow – 3/21	Coming up	<b>Weekend Events</b>	<b>Lead Stories</b>
House GOP	* On floor: in pro forma session;  * Watts to meet with Microsoft officials in Seattle on cybersecurity;  * Canady to participate in discussion on 14th amendment to Constitution, due process;  * Thomas to address American Society of Consultant Pharmacists conference;  * Lazio to speak at United Jewish Communities conference.	* On floor: suspensions;  * Archer to speak at Tax  Executives Institute conference;  * Shuster to speak at Airports  Council International conference;  * Istook subcommittee on D.C.  charter schools;  * Tauzin to speak at Telecom  Association conference;  * Walsh subcommittee on  consumer agencies.	* 3/22 On floor: nuclear waste storage, oil prices, budget; * 3/22 Lewis of Calif. subcommittee on defense budget; * 3/22 Hyde hearing on shipping anti-trust; * 3/22 Ros-Lehtinen, Diaz-Balart news conference on Latino health; * 3/22 Smith of N.J. to participate in free Burma rally; * 3/22 Bilirakis subcommittee on children's health.	* Shuster appeared on CNN's "Evans, Novak, Hunt and Shields" on gas prices, taxes (3/18); * Davis of Va. spoke at Leukemia Society event (3/18); * Watts appeared on "Fox News Sunday" on homosexual "marriage" (3/19); * DeLay appeared on NBC's "Meet The Press" on taxes, guns, foreign policy (3/19).	CNN Headline News (Mon. 8:30 am) 1. White House to announce rise in preschoolers using psychiatric drugs 2. Clinton travels to Bangladesh 3. Pope John Paul II heads to Jordan Washington Post (Mon.) 1. Silent apocalypse of Ugandan cult 2. Fugitive fires shots in day 3 standoff
Senate GOP	* Fitzgerald subcommittee on commodity futures trading commision; * Grassley to speak at Alzherimer's Association forum; * Cochran to speak at NACD agriculture conference; * Smith of Ore. to speak at United Jewish Communities conference.	* On floor: Social Security earnings limit;  * Lott, Specter to participate in rally with United Jewish Communities;  * McCain hearing on FCC nominations;  * Hatch to speak at discussion on Miranda;  * Santorum news conference on American renewal.	* 3/22 On floor: crop insurance; * 3/22 Domenici markup of budget; * 3/22 Roth hearing on Medicare, prescription drugs; * 3/22 McConnell hearing on campaign finance, Constitution; * 3/22 Craig subcommittee on national park fees.	* Hagel spoke at Voice of America / National Committee of U.SChina event on Taiwan's presidential election (3/18); * Hatch appeared on CBS's "Face the Nation" on guns (3/19).	3. Accusation was agony for teacher  Washington Times (Mon.) 1. Lee to resign from Nationalists 2. NRA leaders blame White House laxity for Atlanta slaying 3. Heart disease still top killer  USA TODAY (Mon.) 1. Safety over a barrel 2. Congress returns to campaign reform
Govs	* Hull news conference on Census 2000.	* Taft to declare Bicycling Awareness Day in Ohio.	* 3/23 Bush of Texas to campaign in Palm Beach, Little Rock.	* Cellucci spoke at Saint Patrick's Day breakfast (3/19).	3. Counsel deciding Clinton's fate <b>N.Y. Times</b> (Mon.)
President	* To meet with prime minister, president of Bangladesh, leader of Bangladesh National Party.	* To meet with Atal Behari Vajpayee, prime minister of India.	* 3/22 In New Delhi, Agra and Jaipur, India for state visits.	* Delivered radio address on energy policy, traveled to India via Italy (3/18-19).	<ol> <li>Violent protests in Taiwan follow election defeat</li> <li>The target: old favorite</li> <li>White House seeks to curb pills</li> </ol>
1 <sup>st</sup> Lady	* To hold meeting on safe use of medication to treat young children.	* Schedule not available to the public.	Schedule not available to the public.	* Spoke at Central Labor Council Distinguished Service Awards dinner in New York (3/18).	used to calm young  AP Top News (Mon. 8:51 am)  1. Clinton visits Bangladesh capital
<b>VP</b> Gore	* To campaign in Springfield, Ill., to N.Y.	* In N.Y., Englewood, N.J. for Gore 2000 events.	* 3/23 In Cincinatti, Detroit for campaign 2000 events.	* Unveiled negative attack ads against Bush of Texas (3/17).	<ul><li>2. Pope begins visit to Holy Land</li><li>3. Chinese president wants 'one</li></ul>
Cabinet	* Summers to speak to Council on Foreign Relations on international development community.	Schedule not available to the public.	* 3/22 Cuomo to address NCRC community conference.	* Richardson appeared on CBS's "Face the Nation" on gas prices (3/19).	China'  Reuters Top News (Mon. 8:36 am)  1. Uganda toll doubles; some murders feared
Dems	* DeLauro, DeGette, Norton to hold event on "families"; * Berry, Kaptur to speak at NACD agricultural conference.	* Wellstone to speak at rural America rally; * Lieberman news conference on American renewal.	* 3/22 Rangel to receive honor from Awards Foundation; * 3/22 Barrett of Wis. to join <b>Boehlert</b> news conference on law enforcement.	* Schumer appeared on ABC's "This Week" on gun control (3/19); * Lewis of Ga. spoke at Alzheimer's Association public policy forum (3/19).	2. Clinton says Bangladeshis not fated to be poor 3. U.S. worried about psychiatric drugs for kids